

1 Gunpowder Road
Mechanicsburg, Pennsylvania 17050

January 15, 2002

Attorney General John Ashcroft
US Department of Justice
950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20530

Dear Mr. Ashcroft:

It has come to my attention that there has been a settlement reached in the government's three-year antitrust case against Microsoft. It pleases me to know that a settlement has been reached in the case. However, I don't feel that there should have been litigation against Microsoft to begin with. I support the company 100% in this case. The government should leave Microsoft alone, and tackle other matters that are affecting America.

However, I feel it is in everyone's best interests to accept the settlement as is, so Microsoft can move forward in developing new products for the consumer. The terms of the settlement are both fair and reasonable, and should be approved by the government in a timely manner. I would like to remind you that Microsoft is not getting off easy like their critics want you to believe.

For example, Microsoft has agreed to document and disclose for use by its competitors various interfaces that are internal to Windows operating system products. Furthermore, they have agreed not to retaliate against software or hardware developers who develop or promote software that competes with Windows or that runs on software that competes with Windows.

Sincerely,


Greg Rothman

cc: Senator Rick Santorum
Representative George W. Gekas